City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas Regular City Council Meeting Oct 10, 2006

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Mayor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present were Mayor Davis, Aldermen Robin Baker, Mike Kemp, Rick Tribble, James Smith, Dave Holsomback and Diane Everett, Recorder-Treasurer Curt Wilson and City Attorney Patrick Benca.

Minutes: A motion was made by Alderman Kemp to accept the August and September 2006 minutes as presented. Alderman Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved with one opposing vote from Alderman Tribble. He had not had an opportunity to read then minutes.

Financial Report: Recorder-Treasurer Wilson presented the financial report for September 2006. Financial summary was:

General Fund:

A motion was made by Alderman Baker to accept the financial report as presented. Alderman Kemp seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no opposition.

Department Head Reports:

The Department heads submitted written reports. Those reports are on file in the office of the Recorder-Treasurer and are available to any interested parties. Aldermen Kemp and Holsomback complemented Fire Chief Aldridge on the job done by his staff at to recent open house and for all the work they do.

Police Chief Friend provided a verbal supplement to his written report. He pointed out the 96 calls for service during the past month and the 18 felony cases indicating a highly proactive effort by the department and close cooperation with the county sheriff's office.

Mayor Davis relayed details concerning his drive down a city street recently when he noticed a citizen leaning on his front porch and bleeding from an apparent head wound. He dialed 911 and in about three (3), minutes a Shannon Hills Rescue unit was on the scene and aid was being administered. He stated that within about two (2) more minutes several more Shannon Hills rescue people were on the scene. The response time and service rendered was far better than one would expect in ANY city.

Also Mayor Davis noted that The Shannon Hills Police Department working with the Saline County Sheriff's Office has arrested 8 individuals in about 24 hours in their newly formed "Prevention of Crimes Against Children" program.

Item 1: Reduction of speed limit on *South* Clayton. (Between Shannon Hills Drive and Beachwood)

Several citizens who live on Clayton spoke about the unsafe traffic conditions on that street. They specifically identified high speeds, lots of kids playing in the area and low volume of police patrols as factors contributing to the unsafe conditions. After the problems were presented some open discussion followed about possible solutions. Ideas offered included lowering the speed limit, increasing police patrols and the installation of speed bumps. Following the discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Kemp to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph on Clayton Drive, between Shannon Hills Drive and Morningside Drive. The motion received a second from Alderman Baker. The motion was approved by voice vote. There was no opposition.

Item2: Appropriation of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to host the meeting of the Saline County Quorum Court on October 17, 2006.

Mayor Davis requested that the Council approve expending up to \$500.00 for food and trimmings when the County Quorum Court meets in the Shannon Hills City hall on October 17, 2006. Alderman Baker made a motion to approve the request. Alderman Everett provided a second. The motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Item 3: Appropriation of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) to cover the costs of "Spookfest" on October 28, 2006.

Mayor Davis requested that the Council approve expending up to \$700.00 for expenses related to the production of "Spookfest" for 2006. Alderman Kemp made a motion to approve the request. Alderman Everett provided a second. The motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Item 4: Skywriter Communication Company requests placement of equipment on city water tower on Emerald Mountain in order to include Davis Elementary School in a Bryant school district network.

Mayor Davis reported that the company has offered to pay \$130.00 per month to use a location on the antenna coral on the water tower and will agree to pay for five years. They will only provide service to Davis Elementary School so that the school can be included in the Bryant school district network..

After several minutes of discussion there was a motion from Alderman Kemp, with a second from Alderman Everett, to Approve the arrangement with Skywriter pending approval from Arkansas Digital Systems, agreement that they only serve Davis Elementary School and confirmation that the electrical usage would not be excessive.

The motion was approved by voice vote. There was no opposition.

Comments:

Ms Tuggle reported seeing recent TV advertisements for homes on Emerald Mountain and she saw it as a positive thing for the city. Mayor Davis promised a couple of good announcements coming concerning Emerald Mountain.

An unidentified citizen asked about the pavement cutouts on High Road East and when they would be repaired. Mr. Passmore reported that the pavement had to be cut out in order to repair some water lines and that it was necessary to let the road bed settle and re-pack before any paving could be replaced. He assured her that it would be all completed soon.

Alderman Baker asked about getting a stop sign installed at Sardis Rd and Ross Rd. It was agreed that a stop sign should be there. The Road Dept will check and if none is there one will be installed.

Also it was noted that the exit from Sardis onto Ross was quite ruff and some work needs to be done to try to smooth out the area so that it is not quite such a drop off from the pavement of Sardis road onto the gravel of Ross road. Mr. Passmore responded that some drainage work needed to be done there in order to have any lasting improvements but that was an area on their list of improvements to be made.

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderman Kemp. A second was supplied by Alderman Baker. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:07pm.			
Date:		Approved: _	
		-	Larance Davis, Mayor
Attest:			
	Curt Wilson, Recorder-Treasurer		